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In the Claims

Claims 1-20 are pending in the applications.

Claims 11-20 are withdrawn from consideration.

Claims 1-10 are rejected.

Claims 1-20 are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

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Explanation of Amendments in the Claims:

1. A holder for supporting a cylindrical beverage can, the holder comprising:  
a receptacle which is suitably sized and arranged to ~~for slidably receiving a~~  
receive the cylindrical beverage can through an open top end of the receptacle;

the receptacle comprising a sleeve structure ~~extending~~ arranged to extend a  
full length of the cylindrical beverage can such that the receptacle extends to a top of the  
cylindrical beverage can;

~~the receptacle including the sleeve structure comprising~~ an upper edge  
encircling the open top end of the receptacle; and

a handle supported on the receptacle;

at least one mouth recess formed in the upper edge of the sleeve structure to  
extend downward from the upper edge of the sleeve structure to lie spaced below the top of  
the cylindrical beverage can for access to the cylindrical beverage can; and

said at least one mouth recess being spaced circumferentially about the  
receptacle from the handle by approximately 90 degrees.

2. (cancelled)

3. (cancelled)

4. (cancelled)

5. (currently amended) The holder according to Claim 1 wherein ~~there is~~  
provided said at least one mouth recess comprises a pair of mouth recesses formed in the  
upper edge on diametrically opposed sides of the receptacle.

6. (currently amended) The holder according to Claim 5 ~~wherein there is~~  
~~provided a handle and~~ wherein the mouth recesses are spaced circumferentially from  
opposing sides of the handle, each by approximately 90 degrees.

7. (cancelled)

8. (currently amended) The holder according to Claim 7 1 wherein the

sleeve structure includes an enclosed bottom end for supporting the can thereon.

9. (currently amended) The holder according to Claim ~~7~~ 1 wherein the sleeve structure includes at least one label opening in a side thereof arranged to expose a label on a can supported within the sleeve structure.

10. (cancelled)

11. (cancelled)

12. (cancelled)

13. (cancelled)

14. (cancelled)

15. (cancelled)

16. (cancelled)

17. (cancelled)

18. (cancelled)

19. (cancelled)

20. (cancelled)